EC5 Mia Uremović

Proposers:
Agenda item: 6. Executive Committee Candidates

## Introduction



Hi all,

My name is Mia (she/her) and I'm submitting my candidacy to be a part of CDN's Executive Committee in the upcoming mandate. I am from Zagreb, which is also where I live and work. My academic background is in languages and culture, but I am currently working in public policy. With Zagreb's green party in power, it's an exciting time.

As I write this application, my mind keeps coming back to a quote I've found intriguing for a while and which seems more true and relevant now than ever: "These are the times that try [our] souls".

We are living through stressful and overwhelming events and finding strength and comfort is difficult. CDN and its community have been an inspirational, welcoming, and fun environment for me and have given me a lot. I'm applying to hopefully give a little bit of that back.

Excited about this potential next adventure, and sending you my best,

Mia

Age:
28

Gender:
Female

Organisation:
Sustainable Development Forum
Green Window

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**Mia Uremović**
**General Assembly 2025**

Dear all,

My name is Mia Uremović and I am hereby submitting my application for the Executive Committee of the Cooperation and Development Network of Eastern Europe.

I have been an active member of CDN's Member Organization in Croatia, Sustainable Development Forum Green Window (Forum za održivi razvoj Zeleni prozor) for almost five years and am the current Secretary General of the organization.

Although I was familiar with CDN, my journey with it really began in 2022 when I took part in the Study Session *Green Cities for a Sustainable Planet* as a participant. Since then, CDN has been an almost constant part of my life. In 2023, I was a participant at the Cross-Regional Meeting (CRM) in Belgrade, and in 2024 I was a delegate at the General Assembly and a Prep Team Member for the Study Session *Breaking the Barriers*. In addition, since the CRM, I have been a member of the tiny but cute Feminist Action Team, which was created as a direct result of the great connections we made during that very event.

Over the last three years I have also built a smaller, but still vibrant connection with FYEG – I have been one of the coordinators for the Beyond Growth Platform since 2023 and am currently a member of the Local Prep Team for their upcoming Social Lab in Croatia. Before that I was a member of the Ecosprinter Editorial Board for the term 2022/2023.

I am very lucky to have had a bunch of different levels of experience with the green community and with CDN, and the progression from participant to organizer has given me an insight into how CDN works and an even bigger love for the organization.

Taking all that into consideration, this then seems like the right moment for me to apply for the EC.

As we continue to work towards the implementation and realization of CDN's 2024-2028 Strategy and build on the achievements of the previous EC, I am motivated to work on some crucial topics.

Some of the things I would want to focus on are:

- developing working groups and action teams thematically and organizationally,
- upgrading the safe space policy and internal/statutory documents in general, like defining CDN's position on AI (its use, dangers, and benefits) or implementing a child protection policy, to give a couple of examples, and
- bettering the working conditions of the office in some capacity.

Every organization depends on its membership and so a big point going forward would also be to further develop the ways in which MOs and their members can work together. Even though some things have already been decided, the next EC still has the privilege to shape CDN and its MOs going forward.

I'm hoping that we can continue expanding our collaboration within CDN, as well as with external partners, both old and new. There is a lot to look forward to in terms of working with FYEG as well as reaching out to new organizations and fostering the connections we already have.

These are just some of the topics to consider, and building the vision for the next years with the new EC and shaping CDN's future will be a challenge, but more importantly an honor.

CDN has been a supportive and motivational environment for me and has, in many ways, shaped me both as an active member of society and as a person. I am certain I could put my knowledge and experience to good use, and I am motivated and excited to see where the next year, and the years after take us.

Thank you for taking the time to read my application. I'm looking forward to the opportunity to work with you as an EC member, or in any other way.

Wishing you a lot of strength, hope, and all good things!

Mia Uremović



In Zagreb, 27 February 2025

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**About me**

- Experienced in project and team management
- Solution-oriented and curious, open to new challenges and opportunities
- A team player, but also a fan of working independently
- Respectful of deadlines, creative, and quick to adapt to a new surrounding

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### City of Zagreb - Senior Expert Associate, Mayor's Office

Jan 2023- present

- Conducting research, assisting in policy preparation, maintaining internal action plans and databases
- Following capital projects and investments, providing administrative support
- Focus on green policies, primary focus education and welfare

### Assist-o Ltd

Oct 2020 - Dec 2022

- Market research and business support for various projects
- Translation & localization, proofreading, and editing in a multilingual context (EN-FR-DE)
- UX/UI, web design

### American Library in Paris

Jun - Nov 2021

- Intern in Member Services and Archive sections of the library
- Interaction with visitors, organization, events

### Embassy of the Kingdom of Belgium in Zagreb

May - Aug 2019

- Intern in the consular/political section
- Policy overviews, international news, conference attendance
- Research and administrative support, daily multilingual communication (EN-FR-HR)

## VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE

### Lossi36

Jan 2024 - present

- Regional editor overseeing articles for Southeastern Europe
- Covering relevant news, happenings, cultural and political moments of the region

### Forum for Sustainable Development Green Window

Feb 2020 - present

- Member of the Executive Board 2024-2026 - Secretary General
- European Green Activists Training participant (2019/2020) & Coordinator (2022, 2024); *Let's Train* co-coordinator
- *CDN experience*: Green Cities for a Sustainable Planet (2022, participant); Cross-Regional Meeting (2023, participant); General Assembly (2024, delegate), Breaking the Barriers (2024, Prep Team Member)

### Beyond Growth Platform - Coordinator (FYEG)

Apr 2023 - present

- Working on relevant research topics, policy proposals, articles, and other projects
- Coordinating members and their workload
- Planning and collaborating with lead and other coordinators on the direction of the group
- Building knowledge and resource databases

### Ecosprinter Editorial Board

May 2022 - May 2023

- Editing and publication of articles on a variety of green issues in Europe and beyond, publication of an annual edition *Tax the Rich*
- Communication, social media, and website maintenance

### AIESEC in Zagreb, Local Committee President

Feb 2019 - Jan 2020

- Organization of volunteering projects and workshops
- Collaboration with other student organizations; project management and team management

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## EDUCATION

**MA in International Relations and Diplomacy, 2022-present**
**Libertas University, Zagreb**

**MA in English & French, 2019-2021**
**University of Zagreb**

- Anglophonia Student Conference 2019 Organizing Committee
- Editor-in-chief of Anglophonia 2019 conference proceedings
- Collaborator on projects (editing, proofreading)
- Student Body Representative for English and French

- *Dissertations*
  - America Through Its Inaugural Poets (American studies)
  - Jacques Poulin, 'La traduction est une histoire d'amour' - comparison of human and machine translation (Translation, French)

**BA in English & French, 2014-2019**
**University of Zagreb**

- Erasmus+ Study - academic year 2017/2018 semester abroad, Masaryk University, Brno, Czechia
- Collaborator on projects (editing, proofreading) - student magazines, conference proceedings

**Classical Gymnasium in Zagreb, 2010-2014**

## MISCELLANEOUS

**Additional courses & workshops (selected)**

- Politics and Narratives at European Borderlands: Rethinking Balkans for Ukraine' course (CEU, 2024)
- EU projects education project (2022)
- Zamah “Sustainable development in practice” course (2021)
- ClimAlt – e-course on climate change (2019/2020)

- **Published works**
  - "Be Men, or Be More Than Men”: Frankenstein, Frankissstein, and Judith Butler (Patchwork 7, 2021)
  - Fine-grained human evaluation of NMT applied to literary text: case study of a French-to-Croatian translation (Conference on Language Technologies & Digital Humanities 2022)

- Passionate language learner and traveler
- Regular attempts to cycle through Zagreb (level: nearly impossible and serious risk)

## LANGUAGES

Croatian ●●●●●●
English ●●●●●●
French ●●●●●●
German ●●●●●○
Russian ●●●●○○
Swedish ●●●○○○
Spanish ●●○○○○
Chinese ●○○○○○

## SKILLS

- Microsoft Office
- mac.OS
- SQL
- ArcGIS
- Canva

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**Subject: Letter of Support for Mia Uremović as a candidate for EC**

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to express my strong support for Mia Uremović's candidacy for the Executive Committee of CDNEE. Mia has been an invaluable member of the Sustainable Development Forum Green Window (Forum za održivi razvoj Zeleni prozor) for years, and her dedication, motivation, and leadership make her the perfect candidate for this role.

Mia has played a crucial role in numerous projects and working groups, committing her free time to sustainability, equality, human rights, youth empowerment, and environmental activism.

Whether leading projects, working with other members, or representing Green Window, Mia consistently demonstrates dedication, and a great commitment to the values that both Green Window and CDN hold dear to our heart.

I have no doubt that Mia would bring great value to the Executive Committee of CDN, and I wholeheartedly support her candidacy. She has the experience and determination necessary to contribute meaningfully to CDN's work and to further the impact of youth-led environmental movements across Europe in these not-so-great times.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information regarding Mia's qualifications and contribution

Best,

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